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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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EDUCATION IN PATRIOTISM

A SYNOPSIS OF THE AGENCIES AT WORK

It is the contribution of American schools, and particularly of colleges and universities, to further the teachings of patriotism in the present emergency, and the opportunity of rendering such service has everywhere been eagerly accepted. Since, however, a number of organizations of national scope, some governmental, others privately supported, are now endeavoring to work through the schools of the country in the cause of education in patriotism, considerable confusion has arisen in the minds of college men regarding the origin and purpose of the various agencies at work. This leaflet aims to put them in touch with the material available and to describe the work of the leading organizations already in the field. No attempt has been made to deal with such specialized efforts in patriotic education as are manifested in the work of the Red Cross, home gardening associations, the Federal Food Administration, etc.; nor have the fields of civic education and the training of aliens been included. The leaflet is published with the purpose of outlining briefly the main resources now at the command of the educators of the country in spreading the teachings of true Americanism in the war crisis.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION.

Established by the President of the United States eight days after the declaration of war and consisting of the Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, and George Creel. Its purpose is to inform the Nation upon the conduct and purposes of the war. Address: Committee on Public Information, 10 Jackson Place, Washington, D. C.

PUBLICATIONS.

A Plan to Enlist the Educational Forces of the Country in Promoting an Intelligent Understanding of the War. 8 pp.

I. RED, WHITE, AND BLUE SERIES.

1. How the War Came to America.
2. National Service Handbook (15 cents).
3. The Battle Line of Democracy (15 cents).

4. The President's Flag-Day Address, with Evidence of Germany's Plans.
5. Conquest and Kultur.
6. German War Practices: Part I.
7. The War Cyclopaedia (25 cents).
8. German Treatment of Conquered Territory.
9. War, Labor, and Peace. Recent Addresses and Writings of the President.

II. WAR INFORMATION SERIES.

101. The War Message and the Facts Behind It.
102. The Nation in Arms.
103. The Government of Germany.
104. The Great War: From Spectator to Participant.
105. A War of Self-Defense.
106. American Loyalty. By American Citizens of German Descent.
107. German Translation of Number 106.
108. American Interest in Popular Government Abroad.
109. Home Reading Course for Citizen Soldiers.
110. First Session of the War Congress.
111. The German War Code.
112. American and Allied Ideals.
113. German Militarism and Its German Critics.
114. The War for Peace.
115. Why America Fights Germany.
116. The Study of the Great War.
117. The Activities of the Committee on Public Information.

III. LOYALTY LEAFLETS.

- > 201. Friendly Words to the Foreign Born.
202. The Prussian System.
203. Labor and the War. By the President.
204. A War Message to the Farmer. By the President.
205. Plain Issues of the War.
206. Ways to Serve the Nation. A Proclamation by the President.
207. What Really Matters.

IV. OFFICIAL BULLETIN. Subscription price, \$5 per year.

DIVISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Public Information has established the following divisions for the purpose of carrying out the work of patriotic education in various ways:

News.—Coordinates and controls the daily news of military operations given out by the Army and Navy.

Civic and Educational Cooperation.—Prepares pamphlets on the war for world-wide circulation. (See bibliography, above.)

Syndicate Features.—Collects and issues informative and educational war articles.

Foreign-Language Newspapers.—Follows foreign-language newspapers and translates pamphlets in various foreign languages; also prepares editorial and news matter for publication in the foreign-language press of the United States.

Official Bulletin.—Publishes official announcements of Government heads in the course of governmental business.

Women's War Work.—Encourages women's war activities, and acts as clearing house for information concerning their service; collects news and writes articles about the work of American women in the war. Has issued pamphlet: War Work of Women in Colleges. 12 pages.

Four Minute Men.—Manages over 15,000 volunteer public speakers who address moving-picture audiences during intermissions. ✱

Public Speaking.—Was formed to coordinate the efforts of a dozen or more national speakers' bureaus by establishing a sort of central clearing house for speaking campaigns, so that duplication of effort and overlapping of territory might be avoided. On the advisory committee are representatives of the Council of National Defense, Department of the Interior, National Community Center Association, Department of Labor, International Lyceum Association, International Association of Rotary Clubs, American Red Cross, National Committee of Patriotic and Defense Societies, National Security League, Association of Collegiate Alumnae, War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities, Young Men's Christian Association War Council Committee on Lectures and Entertainments, American-Russian Chamber of Commerce, Church Peace Union, Chamber of Commerce of the United States, League to Enforce Peace, Department of Agriculture, Open Forum Council, and Food Administration.

The division has three chief activities. It fills requests for speakers and has approximately 300 noted volunteers on its lists. It routes throughout the country speakers of national and international reputation. And most important of all, it conducts State conferences to organize State campaigns, to determine local platform needs, and to cooperate with all State agencies in finding audiences and educating them in war-time problems.

Pictures.—Circulates official photographs and various pictorial records of this and of foreign governments.

Films.—Makes and distributes moving pictures to inform the American people about the purpose and progress of the Government's war activities.

Pictorial Publicity.—Supplies every department of the Government with posters, window cards, car cards, placards, and every other form of art appeal.

Advertising.—Coordinates volunteer assistance of all the national advertising agencies to render advertising service to the Government in all departments of its war work.

COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE.

Address: Washington, D. C.

STATE COUNCILS SECTION.

Community councils.—The Council of National Defense recommends the extension of county organizations by the creation of community councils, leaving in the hands of each State council the ultimate discretion as to form and unit of local organization. These community councils promote patriotic education through distribution of the educational and patriotic material to be supplied by the Committee on Public Information and give assistance in executing the plans of the Committee for Public Education. Kindred activities consist of holding community war rallies, distribution of pamphlets, display of posters, and instruction through the schools.

Development of State publicity work.—With the advice and assistance of the Council of National Defense and the cooperation of the Committee on Public Information, the State Councils of Defense have become an effective agency for educating the people of the country on the issues of the war and the obligations of citizens. Nearly every State has an expert newspaper publicity man. Over 30 States have speakers' bureaus, which are reaching the people with messages from the Federal and State Governments.

WOMAN'S COMMITTEE.

Department of educational propaganda.—Mrs. Martha Evans Martin, executive chairman, address, 1814 N Street. The aim of this department is to spread information concerning the reasons for the war, why it must be won, and the consequences of failure. It works through State chairmen to hold patriotic meetings, reach clubs and rural school-teachers, distribute literature, and outline work of a patriotic nature.

NATIONAL SECURITY LEAGUE.

This league, originally organized to urge national preparedness, now includes in its scope, through the activities of its committee on patriotism through education, the work of patriotic education on a nation-wide basis. The chairman of this committee is Dr. Robert M. McElroy, who may be addressed at the headquarters of the league, 19 West Forty-fourth Street, New York.

IMPORTANT PUBLICATIONS.

Handbook of the War (for speakers).

American War Manual.

Out of Their Own Mouths (collection of German utterances from authoritative sources).

Patriotism Through Education Series (nearly 30 pamphlets by leading Americans).

Teachers' Patriotic Leaflets (a series of six leaflets of patriotic nature).

Why We are at War (pamphlet, 14 pages).

How Germany Wanted the World to Look (map).

SPEAKERS' BUREAU.

The league has a speakers' bureau with a list of over 1,000 volunteer speakers. A national patriotic education faculty, composed of eminent American college and university professors, will tour the country to speak and promote the league's campaign of patriotism through education.

PUBLICITY SERVICE.

A monthly publicity service supplies over 1,400 newspapers with editorial and news matter, cartoons, and special articles.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES.

Organized to effectuate cooperation between the affiliated patriotic societies and to coordinate their functions as far as possible without impairing their independence. Executive secretary, William Mather Lewis; address, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

REPRESENTED SOCIETIES.

- Aeronautical Society of America, 29 West Thirty-ninth Street, New York City.
- American Defense Society (Inc.), 303 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
- American Rights League, 2 West Forty-fifth Street, New York City.
- Army League of the United States, 201 Hibbs Building, Washington, D. C.
- Boy Scouts of America, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
- Boys' Club Federation, 1 Madison Avenue, New York City.
- Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Committee on National Defense, 501 City Building, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Descendants of Signers of Declaration of Independence, Richmond, Va.
- General Society Daughters of the Revolution, 33 West Forty-second Street, New York City.
- High School Volunteers of the United States, Spring and Macdougall Streets, New York City.
- League to Enforce Peace, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
- Military Order of Foreign Wars, 2010 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Flanders Building, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Military Training Camps Association of the United States, 19 West Forty-fourth Street, New York City.
- National Americanization Committee, 25 West Thirty-ninth Street, New York City.
- National Association for Universal Military Training, Southern Building, Washington, D. C.
- National Civic Federation, 1 Madison Avenue, New York City.
- National Committee of One Hundred, 812 Washington Loan & Trust Building, Washington, D. C.
- National League for Woman's Service, 259 Madison Avenue, New York City.
- National Security League, 19 West Forty-fourth Street, New York City.
- National Society of Colonial Dames of the XVII Century, Covington, Ky.
- National Society Colonial Daughters of America, Covington, Ky.
- National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Memorial Continental Hall, Washington, D. C.
- National Society Daughters of Founders and Patriots, 3179 Eighteenth Street NW., Washington, D. C.

National Society of United States Daughters of 1812, Hotel Del Prado, Chicago, Ill.
 National Surgical Dressings Committee, 229 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
 Naval and Military Order of the Spanish-American War, Marquette Building, Chicago, Ill.
 Naval Training Association of the United States, 1411 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Navy League of the United States, 1201 Sixteenth Street N.W., Washington, D. C.
 Order of Founders and Patriots of America, 17 Battery Place, New York City.
 Patriotic Service League, 509 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
 Power-Craft Association, 68 William Street, New York City.
 Society of American Wars, 428 Customhouse, St. Louis, Mo.
 Special Aid Society for American Preparedness, 601 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.
 Sons of the Revolution, 54 Pearl Street, New York City.
 Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., McGill Building, Washington, D. C.
 Universal Military Training League, First National Bank Building, Chicago, Ill.
 United States Power Squadrons, 1100 Municipal Building, New York City.
 Woman's Naval Service (Inc.), 1606 Twentieth Street N.W., Washington, D. C.
 Woman's Department, National Civic Federation, 105 West Fortieth Street, New York City.
 Affiliated Society: Southern Commercial Congress, Southern Building, Washington, D. C.

The national committee acts as a clearing house for the interests and activities of these organizations, most of which are interested in some form of patriotic education. The work of the national committee which bears directly upon such education may be summarized as follows:

A clearing house is maintained for distribution of literature issued by member societies. Bulletins are issued every two weeks. A reference library is maintained on matters pertaining to national defense. The committee answers questions regarding the activities of the Government and of relief societies and disseminates information from Government departments. A press bureau furnishes articles to the college, patriotic, and religious press. Information is given regarding available speakers, dates of patriotic meetings, and conventions. A campaign is waged against seditious propaganda and malicious, unauthentic war rumors.

LIST OF PAMPHLETS ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES
 FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION.

1. Home Defense Leagues and other community activities.
2. Stop Malicious Rumors and Help Win the War.¹
 Illustrated by Raemakers.
3. The Work of the National Committee, an address.
4. The War and the College.
5. List of twenty-five popular books on the war.
6. Maj. Gen. Goethals on Universal Military Training and Service.
7. Suggestions on the Agricultural Problem.
8. The Battle in this Country.
9. Ships.
10. The Voices of Our Leaders (school edition 50 cents).

¹ Supplied in quantities at \$1 per hundred.

NATIONAL BOARD FOR HISTORICAL SERVICE.

Organized April 29, 1917, by a group of history scholars representing several of the leading universities and research institutions of the country which met on the call of the director of the department of historical research in the Carnegie Institution of Washington. Secretary, Mr. W. G. Leland, 1133 Woodward Building, Washington, D. C. This board has cooperated in the work of patriotic education with the following agencies:

Bureau of Education.—A series of leaflets for teachers is in preparation, the first of which has already been published by the Bureau of Education: *Opportunities for History Teachers* (see description under Bureau of Education).

History Teachers Magazine (Philadelphia, Pa.).—The board has prepared considerable material for publication in this magazine. Of especial value are the following war supplements, also available in reprints:

The Study of the Great War. Prof. Samuel B. Harding, January, 1918. A topical outline with copious quotations and reading references. 40 pp.

Some War Curiosities and the Clandestine Press of Belgium. Prof. C. Gauss, February, 1918. 14 pp.

A Selected Critical Bibliography of the War. Prof. G. M. Dutcher, March, 1918. 30 pp.

Colleges, Universities, and Normal Schools.—By correspondence the board has stimulated speaking and writing, of a kind calculated to educate public opinion in relation to the war, research on topics useful to the Government and the people, and new courses of instruction.

Training Camp Commission.—Through the efforts of the board, series of lectures on history and historical geography have been organized at various Army camps in cooperation with the Young Men's Christian Association and Knights of Columbus.

Committee on Public Information.—The board has cooperated with the Government's Committee on Public Information in the preparation of its various series of pamphlets, most of which contain material useful to teachers of history and civics.

In addition to these cooperative activities, the board has now in preparation two school readers made up of material selected from the best literature relating to the war: An English reader for pupils of the seventh and eighth grades, and a French reader for high-school classes.

Through the generosity of public-spirited citizens the board was enabled to institute prize essay contests for teachers in 14 States on the subject: "Why the United States is at War." Over 600 teachers took part in this competition.

THE BUREAU OF EDUCATION.

PUBLICATIONS.

Lessons in community and national life.—These lessons serve the very urgent immediate purpose of calling attention to the necessity of conserving food and all other resources of the Nation. They serve at the same time the broader purpose of training pupils in the schools to recognize their rights and obligations in the cooperative society in which they live.

The lessons are issued each month during the school year 1917-18. They are prepared in three sections, namely: Section A, for the upper classes of the high school; section B, for the first class of the high school and the upper grades of the elementary school; section C, for the intermediate grades of the elementary school.

In the lessons published in October special attention is given to the effects of the war on industry in this country and abroad. The lessons published in November deal with production and wise consumption; the principles of conservation are illustrated and made concrete by means of numerous examples. The lessons of December show the transformations of life which have resulted from the development of machinery. The January lessons show how the National Government, through its executive departments, comes into intimate contact with the production and use of the commodities which make community life possible; special attention is given to the activities related to war preparation and readjustments in this country necessary for the prosecution of the war. The February lessons carry the discussion of government into the sphere of State, municipal, and institutional life. Subsequent numbers deal with the problems of the financial and personal organization of industry, the results of concentration of population, and the problems of the wage system.¹

Opportunities for history teachers.—Teachers' Leaflet No. 1, 1917, 22 pp. Prepared by the National Board for Historical Service. Its primary purpose is to suggest certain aspects of history, ancient and modern, which have gained a new interest in the light of the great war.²

Government policies involving the schools in war time.—Teachers' Leaflet No. 3, April, 1918, 7 pp. A statement approved by the Secretaries of War, Navy, Interior, Agriculture, and Labor, the chairman of the Civil Service Commission, and the Commissioner of Education.

¹ Copies may be purchased through the Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C., at the following prices for each leaflet: One copy, 5 cents; two or more copies, 3 cents each; 100 copies, \$2; 500 copies, \$5; 1,000 copies, \$9.50; subscription for the series of any section, eight times the prices named.

² For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., at the following prices: Single copies, 5 cents; additional copies, 3 cents; 100 copies, \$2; 1,000 copies, \$13.50.

The work of American colleges and universities during the war.—A series of circulars describing the war activities of American institutions for higher education:

1. Report of a conference held at Washington, May 3, 1917, under the auspices of the committee on science, engineering, and education of the advisory commission of the Council of National Defense.
2. Report of the work of the education section of the committee on engineering and education of the advisory commission of the Council of National Defense.
3. Report of a joint conference of the education section of the committee on engineering and education of the advisory commission of the Council of National Defense and a commission representing the universities of Canada, held at Washington, July 3 and 4, 1917.
4. Contribution of Higher Institutions to the War and to Reconstruction. (Statistics regarding attendance at engineering schools, and resolutions and letters urging college attendance).
5. Report of the work of the university section of the committee on engineering and education of the advisory commission of the Council of National Defense.
6. Report of the Contribution of Higher Institutions to the National Service. (Reports from numerous colleges and universities).
7. The Importance of Technical Training in Military Operations.

Secondary schools and the war.—Secondary School Circular No. 1, 1918, 4 pp. A statement concerning utilization of schools to spread information, etc.

Secondary School Circular No. 2, 1918. Organization of high schools in war time.

War work in city schools.—City School Circulars Nos. 2 and 3, 1918. Short accounts of what American city schools are doing in war work.

Miscellaneous circulars.—Circular, May 22, 1917. Suggestions for the conduct of educational institutions during the continuance of the war, to the end that their educational efficiency may not be lowered and that they may render the largest amount of service both for the present and for the future.

NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION.

Secretary: J. W. Crabtree, 1400 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, D. C.

PUBLICATIONS.

Proceedings of the National Education Association, Vol. LV.—Addresses by educators on preparedness and patriotism, at the Portland meeting, 1917.

Proceedings of the meeting of the department of superintendence.—Addresses of patriotic nature delivered at the Atlantic City meeting, 1918, to appear in the National Education Association Journal for May and June, 1918.

JOINT COMMISSION.

The National Education Association has established a "Joint commission on the national emergency in education and the program for readjustment during and after the war." Chairman, George D. Strayer, New York, N. Y. Secretary, Lotus D. Coffman, Minneapolis, Minn.

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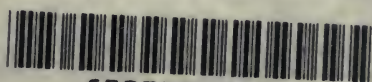
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